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In re U.S. Patent Application of

SHIMANUKI et al.

Application Number: 10/091,302

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For: A MANUFACTURING METHOD
OF A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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Art Unit: 2827

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Washington, D.C. 20231

COVER LETTER

Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

FOR	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	4	4	60 (Over 20)	x \$18	0
Independent Claims	1	1	1 (Over 3)	x \$84	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$280	0
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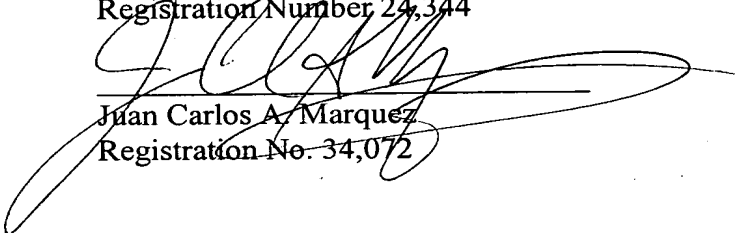
- [x] Response to Office Action
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[] Substitute Specification
[] Preliminary Amendment
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated October 1, 2003, in the above identified application, the period for response is set to expire on January 1, 2004. Please amend the above identified application as follows: